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LOCALS.

Rev. J. F. Betts came over from Vancouver last night, and went down to Victoria this morning after paying an official visit to the Indian and Chinese missions in the city.

Mr. M. Bate Sr. returned from Vancouver last night.

Judge Harrison was a passenger to Victoria by this morning's train.

Tug Mystery came in yesterday.

Ship Cambusdoon has finished loading and is awaiting a crew.

The steamer Monmouthshire which left Union on Saturday in charge of Pilot Sabiston Jr. had not been reported at Victoria last night. No doubt anchorage has been sought in the fog.

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Some More Nigger in the Wood Pile.

It is a well-known fact that unusual physical or metal strain has a tendency to irritate and disarrange the nervous system, making the individual cross, peevish and ill-tempered. For this reason we can forgive our local contemporary for qualifying our article, "The niggar in the wood-pile," as a squealing abuse of the Free Press. We have observed several exhibitions of bad taste lately on the part of our contemporary, amongst them the petty habit of going behind the anonymity of the press to "kick" individuals. These little "breaks" may be attributed to mental exhaustion superinduced by over-exhaustion and the shock of being forced into an inglorious retreat from the positive assertion "that the city is today several months in arrears in nearly every branch of municipal service."

The halt behind the single item of two months' electric lighting was but a sorry exhibition of valor. A rout under any condition is far from consoling. Neither is it soothing to unstrung nerves to see one's elaborately prepared "bomb," labeled dangerous, publicly dissected and shown to contain no more dangerous material than "wind." Another noticeable departure in our contemporary's career is its late strange but decided aversion to what it styles "past history," and on this point accuses us of evading the point at issue.

Unlike our contemporary we do not profess to be endowed with the divine attribute of prophesy, so content ourselves with dealing with the present and past, patiently awaiting what the future will bring forth. We are especially guarded on account of the many object lessons before us of efforts made by our local friend, ending in dismal failures. The so-called approximate standing of the civic finances by our contemporary and our exposure of the fallacious logic may be very entertaining amusement for the active participants to the controversy, but we opine that the citizens look for something more definite than exaggerated generalities. Therefore if the Free Press is honestly striving to enlighten its readers on the financial condition of the city we will cheerfully assist by pointing out the only method of arriving at correct conclusions. The executive department of every governing body, whether municipal, Provincial, Dominion or Imperial are guided in their year's work by a "budget" carefully prepared by the Finance Committe, Minister of Finance or Chancellor of the Exchequer as the case, may be. In the case under discussion, the Finance Committee of the present Council prepared a report for the current year giving an approximate estimate of receivable revenue from the different sources. On this basis sums were appropriated or set aside to meet the expense of the several branches of the municipal service. To prove that a deficit will occur at the end of the year it must be shown that the receipts of revenue falls short of the estimate or that the expenditure was in excess of the appropriation, or both. No attempt has been made to do this, we are merely regaled with the bald statement that there will be a deficit of $5,000 at the end of the year, supported by a mass of unreliable figures. If the report of the Finance Committee cannot stand the test we propose; if it can be shown that the report was recklessly compiled, that the expenditure was extravagant and in excess of the revenue, then we will make no attempt to screen the parties responsible for such a state of affairs from deserved censure.

If, on the contrary, our contemporary fails to prove a deficit at the end of the year on the lines marked out, it can reasonably be suspected of publishing the captious criticisms of a rabid partisan, whose only motive is to mislead the public and discredit the members of the Municipal Council.

Editorial Notes.

We invite the attention of our readers to an article in another column of to-day's issue, which we copy from the editorial columns of the Canadian Freeman, reviewing the policy of the Dominion Government upon the Chinese question. The East is beginning to understand the evil of Chinese immigration.

WE notice a decided change lately in our contemporary, the Wellington Enterprise. It is gratifying to know that it has at last its eyes open to the shortcomings of the coterie of uncapabilities known as the Government of British Columbia. Go on friend Enterprise, we are with you.

Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway Belt.

[HANSARD REPORT.]

The following questions were asked by W. W. B. McInnes M.P., in the House of Commons on Sept. 21st:

Mr. McInnes asked:

1. Prior to the grant of land, known as the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway belt, from the province of British Columbia to the Dominion Government in trust for the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway Company, were any rights acquired by any person by pre-emption or otherwise in any of the land or coal included in said belt?

2. If so, were any reservations made in said grant in favor of such rights recognized by the Dominion Government in executing the said trust?

3. Why were the coal rights pertaining to lands pre-empted prior to Jan. 1, 1882, and situated in the said belt, not granted to the pre-emptors by the Dominion Government?

4. Has any application been made by the said company to the Dominion Government for a grant of land in lieu of that alienated in the said belt prior to the grant to the said company? If so, for what amount, and does such application ask for the coal rights pertaining to such lands?

5. Is it the intention of the Government to investigate the claims of certain settlers on lands in the said belt who claim that they have been deprived of certain rights guaranteed them by subsection 5 of section 7 of an Act passed by the Parliament of Canada in 47 Victoria, intituled "An Act respecting the Vancouver Island Railway."

The Minister of Marine and Fisheries (Mr. Davies). 1. Yes, to the extent as acknowledged by the government of British Columbia, of 86,346 acres. 2. (a.) Yes. The British Columbia statute, 46 Victoria, chapter 14, section 6, provides that the grant "shall not include any lands now held under Crown grant, lease, agreement for sale, or other alienation by the Crown, nor shall it include Indian reserves or settlements. (b.) It was left to the provincial government to complete all transactions which had been initiated before the transfer of the railway reserve to the Dominion Government in trust. 3. As explained in the answer to question No. 2, pre-emptors prior to the 1st January, 1882, and indeed up to the date when the lands in question were transferred by the province to the Dominion, derived their titles from the local government, the lands for which they had records having been excluded by the statute from the transfer to the Dominion Government in trust. The Government of Canada, therefore, had no responsibility for the form of title. It was a question of the completion by the provincial government of a contract into which they had already entered with the pre-emptors. 4. An application has been made by the company to the Dominion Government for a grant of 86,346 acres to compensate for lands alienated by the provincial government to pre-emptors and others either by Crown grant, lease, agreement for sale, or any other alienation, up to the date when the lands in question passed to the Dominion. The application does not mention that it includes the coal rights pertaining to the lands applied for. 5. The Government is now considering the propriety of instituting an inquiry into the claims of the settlers.

Mr. McInnes asked:

1. Have any applications been made by or on behalf of the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway Company or the British Pacific Railway Company for the usual subsidy of $3,200 per mile towards railway construction on Vancouver Island? If so, what is the date of such application?

2. Did the late Government, in the proposed Supplementary Estimates of last session, or otherwise, make provision for such susidies?

The Minister of Railways and Canals (Mr. Blair). Yes, application was made by the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway Company for the usual subsidy of $3,200 per mile towards railway construction on Vancouver Island. The date of application is 24th of February, 1896. No provision was made in Supplementary Estimates of last session or otherwise this subsidy.

OTTAWA NEWS

TOO MUCH TUPPER—THE BEST ELEMENT WANT TO GET RID OF SIR CHARLES.

Hon. Mr. Prior on the Appointment of B.C. Judge.

Ottawa, Sept. 25.—The Ontario Conservatives met in caucus today to endeavor to patch up the family troubles. Large numbers refused to accept Sir Charles Tupper as leader, and Mr. McLean and Dr. Montague are still at daggers drawn. It is very generally admitted now on all sides that "The War Horse of Cumberland" is, politically speaking, as dead as a door nail, and it is only a question of time before he will of necessity be forced into that oblivion which ought to have been his retreat many years ago. That a certain powerful wing of the fast crumbling Tory party are determined upon his early retirement was manifested at today's meeting. Sir Charles attempted, as usual, to run things to suit his own sweet wil', but was promptly snubbed by the anti-Tupper section, who are inclined, judging from the cordial manner in which the remarks of Hon. Mr. Foster were received, to place upon the shoulders of the latter gentleman, the threadbare, patched and disgraced mantle of the leader of the erstwhile great Conservative party.

Hon. Mr. Prior, in the house last night aired his views on the question of the appointment of a judge to the vacant position on the B. C. Bench, making a strong plea for the selection of Attorney-General Eberts, a man fitted in every respect to fulfil acceptably the onerous duties of such an important office; a live, bright, active and energetic man. He hoped that the Government would not commit such a violent outrage as to appoint to the position one so utterly unworthy as Mr. Joseph Martin, whose name, he understood, had been spoken of in connection with the matter.

Hon. Mr. Laurier urged Mr. Prior not to take stock in everything he saw in the newspapers. In regard to Mr. Martin, Mr. Laurier continued, Hon Hugh John Macdonald has referred to him in highly eugolistic terms, stating that he was qualified to fill any position in the country. However, the case was much more pressing than he was aware of. He had been surprised to learn that the vacancy had existed for eight months and the government proposed to fill the vacancy at an early date. It is obvious, however, that the late administration was to blame for not making the appointment.

The delegation of veterans of 1866, comprising about fifty in all, waited on Hon. Mr. Laurier and Hon. Mr. Borden to-day and asked that a grant of land and medal be given to the survivors of those who defended their country at that time. Lieut.-Colonel McMillan Arthur organized the delegation, which was accompanied by Mr. McMillan, M. P., and Mr. Semple, M.P. Hon Mr. Laurier said nothing could be done this session, but the government would endeavor before next session to do something to recognize the claims of the veterans.

A delegation is here from Toronto wanting $50,000 for the Dominion exhibition, which takes place in Toronto next year, Mayor Fleming is at the head of the delegation, which was introduced to the government by Mr. Lount.

The following is the resolution moved by Hon. Mr. Foster in the house on Tuesday, the government having as a result of the division on the same, a majority of 37.

"That since 1876 the Liberal party of Canada has in the main evinced uncompromising hostility to the principle, and practice of protection, as applied to the producing interests of Canada; that during this period they have, from time to time, advocated (a) commercial union with the United States, (b) continental free trade, (c) unrestricted reciprocity with the United States with discrimination against Great Britain and other countries, (d) free trade as practised in Great Britain, and (e) tariff for revenue only, in which there should be no vestige of protection.

That the authoritative platform of June 1893, declared that "the customs tariff of the Dominion should not be based, as it is now upon the protective principle,' which is denounced as radically unsound, and it was resolved as the contention of the party that any tariff charges based on that principle must fail to afford substantial relief from the burdens under which the country labors:

That the government, through its leader has determined not to introduce any measure dwelling with the tariff during the present session:

That the platform of the Liberal party, and the utterances of the leader of the party, and the principle organs and supporters have lead the country to believe that a radical change is imminent in the principle upon which the tariff is to be based:

That the uncertainty and delay consequent upon these announcements will result in great disturbance in business, and serious loss to the commercial and producing interests of the country:

That this House, while willing to allow reasonable time to perfect details, is the opinion that a declaration of the principals upon which the government proposes to base its tariff revision should be at once made:

And that no tariff will be wise, or satisfactory, which does not proceed upon the basis of an adequate and sufficient protection for the interests of the country."

Mr. Bostock made an excellent speech last night on the railway loan delimitation bill. He strongly urged its passage.

A number of French translators are to be dismissed because of their active participation in the late political campaign.

Winnipeg, Sept. 25.—Arguments on the preliminary objections to the Winnipeg election protest were concluded yesterday, Judge Dubuc reserving judgment.

Toronto, Sept. 25.—A protest has been entered against the election of Hon. William Paterson in North Grey.

The usual charges are made in addition that the candidate, by his agent, Hon. A. S. Hardy, used intimidation, force and other illegal means. Separate charges of bribery and corruption are made against James McGilligan, James Lister, James Bain, William Lount, M. K. Cowan, W. S. Calvert and Charles L. Hyman.

Dr. Paton and Chief Jackson, of the Caughnawaga Indian Reserve, are in the city and had an interview with members of the government to-day, with a view to making serious charges against the administration of their affairs by the late government. Two Indian chiefs from the St. Regis reserve interviewed Hon. Mr. Laurier to-day.

Hon. Sidney Fisher, minister of agriculture, introduced in the house to-day a bill for the branding of cheese and butter. He said he did not intend to put the bill through this session.

The Dominion Government's Policy on the Chinese Question Considered.

The passage of Li Hung Chang through Canada threw a certain section of our people into a state of ferment, and the tuft hunters began, as usual, their belly-crawling practice. His reception at the boundary by an accredited Minister of the Crown was perhaps diplomatic, but far from what the murderous old barbarian deserved. Li Hung Chang is a fine sample of the educated savage and his respect for human life and human suffering is about on a par with the untamed tiger, and the Government of the Dominion did itself no credit in spending any public money on his reception. The almond eyed old tyrant never knew one spark of love for humanity, and has climbed to his present position on the bones of the victims of his ferocity. Sir Henri Joly was selected to receive and accompany the celestial premier, and no doubt acted the part of the courtier to perfection, for the Chevalier is courtesy itself. But we feel that such a public welcome to a man of Li's character and attributes does no credit to the people or Government of Canada. We tax Chinese coming into our country, thus showing our dislike for their company, and the sentiment of our country is to put a still heavier, if not prohibitive, tax on every Chinaman desiring ta plant himself in the community, and while a poll-tax on Chinamen remains on the statue book it was inconsistent to open wide our gates and receive with royal welcome the wretch whose only claim to notoriety is the amount of money he has stolen from his miserable people and the rivers of blood he has shed during his gory career. The American people and Government were no better than our own, but there was one piece of blue in the sky of the American reception, and that was the refusal of the Irish policemen in Washington to carry the carcase of the old savage. They refused, like Irishmen of dignity, and we congratulate the race and nation on this evidence of manliness and self respect. At Toronto fair he was carried by four North of Ireland slaves, every one of them full blooded children of William of Nassau, who manifested by this act of debasement very little of the spirit of independence of which they rant and bellow on the twelth of July. However, as John Bull dearly loves a lord, so the Canadian tuft-hunter and snob dearly loves to bow and salam before the chiefs of any country, be they civilized or savage. The Chinese are an undesirable race and people. Our statute books say so, and our laws are made with the view to their exclusion. They are immoral and socially putrid, their habits are so much opposed to ours that they can never be of us or us of them.

They live as white men cannot, and when all is over they even carry the bones of their fellows to fertalize their tainted country. The wretched food and clothing and surroundings of the Chinese are such as no white family can or ought to be subjected to, and if they are allowed to enter our Western Province of British Columbia, they will soon swarm over the whole Dominion and either drive the white laborer out or bring him down to his own level. This country must not open her gates to the Chinese on any terms, and we are sure no man could be elected in British Columbia who favored Chinese entrance on any terms whatever, and should a test vote on this question be taken in the House of Commons, it will be found that every west coast member will be recorded in favor of exclusion.

In the debate that took place on this subject last week, Sir Henri Joly, fresh from the fumes of the travelling opium joint, pleaded for the countrymen of his new friend, Sir Li Hung Chang, and recounted the words of the new Chinese knight when asking that we should not abandon the celestial emigrants or close the gates of our country to the swarm. Sir Henri Joly is not a laboring man, he has not to till a market garden for a livelihood, nor yet to wash clothes or iron them for his daily bred. If such was his lot, perhaps his views on the Chinese question would undergo some change. If the Liberal Government want Chinamen to invade this country and thereby drive out or degrade the white working men and women, they will do well to hire special steamers to bring them and give them votes on landing, and fail not to plant them just sufficiently thick in the different ridings to secure majorities, for the white laborer cannot be found on the side of those favoring the Chinese labor. Wherever the Chinaman has settled he cursed the country and the people until he is looked on as a worse pest than leprosy. There must be no half-way measure but the same drastic law that exists in the United States, and which will forbid the entrance of this prurient race into the Dominion, so that thereby the white laborer be not sunk to the level of the celestial, but elevated as his merits, virtues and services to the State demand.—The Canadian Freeman.

Bad Accident.

Whilst wheeling his way along the main thoro'fare of the town between the Wellington and the Portland Hotels on Wednesday eve about 8 o'clock Mr Louis Bridewell collided with a vehicle which was being driven, perhaps over-rapidly, by Mr James Mc Millan, disastrous results to himself and wheel. It seems that two buggies, driven respectively by Jno Hoggan and Jas McMillan, proceeding rapidly along the road when they encountered Bridewell who was keeping on the side by common consent ceded to the use of bicyclists. The buggies must have been hugging this side pretty close. Bridewell succeeded in passing the first rig but in endeavoring to pass the second, which he did not at first notice, he collided with it. He was thrown under the horses feet and was struck in the upper part of the thigh by one of the shafts, which made a deep gash about an inch long in the sartorius muscle.

The injured man was conveyed into the Portland Hotel and the wound, which was of a painful character and will take some time to heal, was dressed by Dr. Wasson. Bridewell was taken into the Nanaimo hospital Friday last. The accident should serve as a warning to votaries of the wheel as to the extreme danger they run in riding at night without a light. The same rule applies also to vehicles but the greater danger is of course encountered by the bicyclist. There is a Provincial Statute dealing with this matter which also states the correct side of the road for vehicles to pass and also requiring vehicles to carry a light at night. The provisions of the act, however, unfortunately are not enforced, though it would seem to be of public importance that they should be put into effect.—Enterprise.

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Alien Labour.

Mr. Taylor M.P., for South Leeds, with that persistency that knows no discouragement, has again introduced in Parliament his bill to prohibit aliens from receiving employment in Canada, unless they have acquired a permanent domicile in this country. And judging from the discussion that took place upon the second reading, there seems to be no doubt but that it will become law if it is found that the United States will not modify their law upon that same question, which is the sole reason why Mr. Taylor seeks to have so undesirable a law placed upon our statute books. We say undesirable, because it seems strange that two great nations, only separated by an imaginary line, speaking the same language and having so many things in common, should think it at all necessary to enact such pernicious laws. But when we look into the question more closely, it is not hard to discern the reason why such laws appear upon the statutes of our neighbouring Republic

instead they should throw open their gates and welcome to their shores all who are willing to adopt their standards and assimilate with them; in fact this is the only way that any new country can hope to become great and prosperous. They, like ourselves, have only to fear those who come as slaves, and not as free men, whose civilization and standards of living can never allow them to rise to ours. Against such only need the United States or Canada place any restriction.

Should be Dismissed.

THE Victoria Times, in a recent issue very properly takes exception to Col. Prior's strong recommendation of Dr. Duncan for the Superintendency of the Williams Head quarantine station. It will be remembered by our readers that the Dr. Duncan referred to is the same gentleman who figured so prominently at the late Dominion election, by escorting two voters confined in the small-pox pest house to the polls in Victoria city to vote for Prior and Earle. Doubtless in return for the valuable services rendered during the election Mr. Prior makes the astounding declaration on the floor of the House of Commons that Dr. Duncan is a gentlemen thoroughly qualified for the position. The Times being sceptical on the question of qualification asks Dr. Duncan the following pertinent questions.

1. As city health officer did you open the door of the smallpox pest house and permit two voters, con-

are, no doubt, thoroughly qualified. But we believe that the vacancy should be filled from Nanaimo by promoting Judge Harrison to the vacant seat. It does not seem fair to pass over the county court judges and go to the bar when a vacancy occurs in the Supreme Court, especially when men equally as able can be found on the County Court Bench. Moreover, it is sorry inducement to an able lawyer to take a position in the County Court unless he sees in it a stepping stone to the Supreme Court bench. Steps should be taken by the legal fraternity of the city to press on the Government the claims of Judge Harrison.

Police Inquiry.

FRIENDS of the policemen whose official conduct is to be investigeted soon put forward as a defence an argument to the effect that they (the policeman) were ordered by Police Commissioner Simpson to visit nightly the houses of ill-fame on Fraser street and Comox road, and that they dared not disobey.

Assuming for the sake of argument that this version of the affair is true, what does it prove. Simply this: that Commissioner Simpson is one of the worst law-breaking officials that ever took oath of office in this city.

Here we have a man, a lawyer by profession, holding the position of police magistrate, police and license commissioner, who, on taking office, swore that he would enforce the laws on the statute books coming within his jurisdiction. He sends policemen down to Fraser street to watch and take evidence. They do so. They enter the houses of disrepute during "business" hours see liquor produced, paid for and consumed, and even go so far as to "sample" it themselves. Then know that these houses that it is unlawful it. This so-called ues month after they do about it? en evidence where his thing is not a ld they not prose-

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r. Simpson's past is city, we have on that he entirely importance and s a role that has no atic people. He has dictator and put a cted by the repre- ommunity for the nstead of being an ed by the people, to n several occasions orce laws because he ght to be enforced. men to manage our ss such laws as the le for the good of Next, through our nt, Mr. Simpson is gistrate, etc. The that no liquor shall n Sunday; that no ll sell liquor with- houses of ill-fame ist, etc. It now be- Commissioners and nforce these laws. e do not believe it We do not like fore we will not en- these officials are e prerogatives of a l veto the laws of y their represen- legal it would be not. These officials and it is time the citizens were waking up to the evil they are fostering by allowing it to continue.

Why go to the trouble and expense of electing representatives to make and pass laws if such men as these are allowed to pass judgment on them and act according to their own sweet will. If this is to continue it would be better to return to one-man government and not go to such expense to keep up a show of democracy

The spirit the people should possess in these matters is to give officials of the Simpson stamp to understand once for all that they are appointed to enforce law, no matter whether they think it right or not, and if they do not wish to do so let them step out. If a law is unpopular let the people themselves repeal it, and not keep it on the statute books.

In conclusion we wish to add that if this defence of the policemen is correct, then the police commissioners should investigate the conduct of Police Magistrate Simpson and find out what he is going to do with all his evidence, for he must have a "stack" of it by this time.

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The Remedy.

As we have pointed out before in a previous editorial, there is only one remedy for the present state of affairs in regard to the trouble among police-commissioners and policemen. The appointment of police and license commissioners should be in the hands of the people themselves. That the recent appointment was purely partizan is only too evident. The provincial government completely ignored the wishes of the people in this matter and thrust aside their petition, appointing a man on the recommendation of a certain well-known local politician, who made a special trip to Victoria for that purpose.

Our Council ought to take steps to have the Municipal Act amended so as to make it possible to get this matter in their own hands and then they could make appointments that would be satisfactory to themselves.

This is done in Vancouver, the electors appointing ten men to constitute the Board. We advocate the policy that all such officials should be elected by popular vote, the same as aldermen, school trustees, etc. If this was done, the people could easily settle any trouble at the end of the year, besides letting their wishes be known by dropping from the Board those who were proving themselves inefficient.

We sincerely hope that steps will be taken that will lead to this desirable end. A petition to the Council would bring the matter up for discussion and then the necessary steps would no doubt be taken to bring the matter before the local legislature next session.

The Grand Old Man.

Mr. Gladstone's marvellous mental activity since his retirement from the Liberal leadership in 1894 has caused a partial revival of discussion as to his return to public life. There is no serious or general opinion that he will do so; but many ask, Where are the evidences of physical and mental decay, of lessened interest in the problems of politics or theology, of less acute discernment in literary and social tendencies? It is doubtful if any two years of Mr. Gladstone's life have been more noted for intellectual energy and product than the last two; and at eighty-seven his amazing zest continues unabated. His learned studies in the works of Bishop Butler have only recently been published; magazine articles from month to month fall from his prolific pen, and the subjects treated show the same versatility as well as the same alert and virile thought; in capacity for work he seems to be equal to the most exacting demands. A short time ago the Armenian atrocities nearly called him back to Parliament, so intense was his sympathy with that suffering people; nor have his convictions on that subject since known any change. In fact, though out of office, he is still the dominant personality in England, the one to whom the thought and conscience of the nation instinctively look as an exemplar of political conduct. Just now there are elements of disunion and discouragement in the Liberal party which urgently call for the strongest leader; and there is no doubt that, if Mr. Gladstone should again dare the vicissitudes of public life, he would be warmly welcomed back to his old place, even if for a very brief term of leadership. He was, at least in matters purely political, the trusted keeper of the Nonconformist conscience, while Lord Rosebery has not been very successful in retaining the confidence of that commanding element in British Liberalism. The common belief as to old age and its disabilities will be set over against the manifestations which, in Mr. Gladstone's case, seem to refute it; but, so long as these manifestations continue, his old friends and former following will inevitably ask, Why are not the energy and zeal, which abound in mental exertions so varied and severe, available for the reinvigoration of the Liberal party?

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COMMUNICATIONS.

This column is open to the public and we heartily invite the citizens to make use of it for discussing public questions.

The following communication was handed in by our local "Josh Billings" this morning and we give it to our readers in its original form:

Editor Mail

In the Saturday ishue of the Free Press I notice that the editor is geting further in the fog and unless the atmosfear should clear up I am afraid we shall lose him altogether perticlar if he should fall of the Fence, and it is geting rather rickerty for him as he has been astride of it for many years know, It is amusing to hear him Refer to the Fenian Raid of Canada and the suspected burning of the Van Cover Coal Co's machine Shop and also the Trip of Nansen to the North Pole what have they got to do with the present Finances of the City how dose he know so much of the Fenian Raid and the burning of the V C C Machine Shop were he a member of that Friternaty at that time or were a friend of Mc it is very plane to see that he fanceys he dose, of corse he is very knowing in his mind but there is others thinks he dose not know much Why he dose not want to hear of aincent History when the shoe Pinches him and it is plain proof that it dose or he would not squeal so much, but we understand him thorouly, what about the one hundard a month he sold his paper for against us working Men we understand. we do not forgit things as easy as he dose and he will know to his sorrow as we intend to fetch him of the Perch if he dose not let up as we are acusstomed to pilot through the Fog and he has heard from us before, and he knows that considerable of the city revenue has gone with the Clu Clux Clan ring for many years know but it will not continue.

AINCIENT MARIENOR.

EDITOR MAIL:—I see by the paper that Mr. McInnes has got $10,000 for dredging the Nanaimo harbor. Very good of Mr. McInnes, but where is the other $5,000 the Board of Trade, Andrew Haslam and the Free Press got last year. You remember the Free Press said the amount was $15,000, but McInnes is only bringing back $10,000. There must be something rotten in Denmark,—or the Free Press office.

MOSSBACK.

Rumour of a Strike.

Winnipeg, Sept. 28.—The Nor'-Wester and the Tribune both publish rumours to-night that the C.P.R. operators and agents will go out on strike at midnight unless a schedule of increased pay is granted by the road. It is stated that an increase of ten per cent is demanded. Nothing definite is known of the matter here.

LATEST NEWS OF THE STRIKE.

Winnipeg, Sept. 28.—A general strike of members of the order of Railway Telegraphers on the C.P.R. was ordered from Montreal at midnight. A few men have gone out.

his supporters (and they are many) recognizing the disadvantages our people are placed under, asks parliament to retaliate by enacting the same law in this country.

The Government thinks it the part of wisdom to inquire into the subject, hoping to be able to induce he United States Congress to modify or wipe out the obnoxious law. If such results cannot be accomplished during recess, the Premier, as well as the leader of the Opposition. have signified their willingness to proceed with the bill at the next session of parliament. It is to be sincerely hoped that Congress will repeal this law for they, like ourselves, have nothing to fear from foreigners whose civilization and standards of living are equal to their own. Against such people there is no need of restrictions, but

The Supreme Court Vacancy.

We notice considerable comment in the press on the probable appointment of Mr. Joseph Martin to the vacant Supreme Court judgeship in British Columbia. While we have no doubt but that Mr. Martin is eminently qualified to adorn the bench, we cannot believe that the Laurier Administration would offer such a gratuitious insult to the legal fraternity of this Province. We have no hesitation in saying that the British Columbia bar can compare favorably with that of any of the other Provinces, so no necessity arises to import talent when we have enough and to spare at home. Many names have been mentioned in connection with the appointment, all of whom

OTTAWA NEWS

TOO MUCH TUPPER—THE BEST ELEMENT WANT TO GET RID OF SIR CHARLES.

Hon. Mr. Prior on the Appointment of B.C. Judge.

Ottawa, Sept. 25.—The Ontario Conservatives met in caucus today to endeavor to patch up the family troubles. Large numbers refused to accept Sir Charles Tupper as leader, and Mr. McLean and Dr. Montague are still at daggers drawn. It is very generally admitted now on all sides that "The War Horse of Cumberland" is, politically speaking, as dead as a door nail, and it is only a question of time before he will of necessity be forced into that oblivion which ought to have been his retreat many years ago. That a certain powerful wing of the fast crumbling Tory party are determined upon his early retirement was manifested at today's meeting. Sir Charles attempted, as usual, to run things to suit his own sweet will, but was promptly snubbed by the anti-Tupper section, who are inclined, judging from the cordial manner in which the remarks of Hon. Mr. Foster were received, to place upon the shoulders of the latter gentleman, the threadbare, patched and disgraced mantle of the leader of the erstwhile great Conservative party.

Hon. Mr. Prior, in the house last night aired his views on the question of the appointment of a judge to the vacant position on the B. C. Bench, making a strong plea for the selection of Attorney-General Eberts, a man fitted in every respect to fulfil acceptably the onerous duties of such an important office; a live, bright, active and energetic man. He hoped that the Government would not commit such a violent outrage as to appoint to the position one so utterly unworthy as Mr. Joseph Martin, whose name, he understood, had been spoken of in connection with the matter.

Hon. Mr. Laurier urged Mr. Prior not to take stock in everything he saw in the newspapers. In regard to Mr. Martin, Mr. Laurier continued, Hon Hugh John Macdonald has referred to him in highly eugolistic terms, stating that he was qualified to fill any position in the country. However, the case was much more pressing than he was aware of He had been surprised to learn that the vacancy had existed for eight months and the government proposed to fill the vacancy at an early date. It is obvious, however, that the late administration was to blame for not making the appointment.

The delegation of veterans of 1866, comprising about fifty in all, waited on Hon. Mr. Laurier and Hon. Mr. Borden to-day and asked that a grant of land and medal be given to the survivors of those who defended their country at that time. Lieut.-Colonel McMillan Arthur organized the delegation, which was accompanied by Mr. McMillan, M. P., and Mr. Semple, M.P. Hon Mr. Laurier said nothing could be done this session, but the government would endeavor before next session to do something to recognize the claims of the veterans.

A delegation is here from Toronto wanting $50,000 for the Dominion exhibition, which takes place in Toronto next year, Mayor Fleming is at the head of the delegation, which was introduced to the government by Mr. Lount.

The following is the resolution moved by Hon. Mr. Foster in the house on Tuesday, the government having as a result of the division on the same, a majority of 37.

"That since 1876 the Liberal party of Canada has in the main evinced uncompromising hostility to the principle, and practice of protection, as applied to the producing interests of Canada; that during this period they have, from time to time, advocated (a) commercial union with the United States, (b) continental free trade, (c) unrestricted reciprocity with the United States with discrimination against Great Britain and other countries, (d) free trade as practised in Great Britain, and (e) tariff for revenue only, in which there should be no vestige of protection.

That the authoritative platform of June 1893, declared that "the customs tariff of the Dominion should not be based, as it is now upon the protective principle,' which is denounced as radically unsound, and it was resolved as the contention of the party that any tariff charges based on that principle must fail to afford substantial relief from the burdens under which the country labors:

That the government, through its leader has determined not to introduce any measure dwelling with the tariff during the present session:

That the platform of the Liberal party, and the utterances of the leader of the party, and the principle organs and supporters have lead the country to believe that a radical change is imminent in the principle upon which the tariff is to be based:

That the uncertainty and delay consequent upon these announcements will result in great disturbance in business, and serious loss to the commercial and producing interests of the country:

That this House, while willing to allow reasonable time to perfect details, is the opinion that a declaration of the principals upon which the government proposes to base its tariff revision should be at once made:

And that no tariff will be wise, or satisfactory, which does not proceed upon the basis of an adequate and sufficient protection for the interests of the country."

Mr. Bostock made an excellent speech last night on the railway loan delimitation bill. He strongly urged its passage.

A number of French translators are to be dismissed because of their active participation in the late political campaign.

Winnipeg, Sept. 25.—Arguments on the preliminary objections to the Winnipeg election protest were concluded yesterday, Judge Dubuc reserving judgment.

Toronto, Sept. 25.—A protest has been entered against the election of Hon. William Paterson in North Grey.

The usual charges are made in addition that the candidate, by his agent, Hon. A. S. Hardy, used intimidation, force and other illegal means. Separate charges of bribery and corruption are made against James McGilligan, James Lister, James Bain, William Lount, M. K. Cowan, W. S. Calvert and Charles L. Hyman.

Dr. Paton and Chief Jackson, of the Caughnawaga Indian Reserve, are in the city and had an interview with members of the government to-day, with a view to making serious charges against the administration of their affairs by the late government. Two Indian chiefs from the St. Regis reserve interviewed Hon. Mr. Laurier to-day.

Hon. Sidney Fisher, minister of agriculture, introduced in the house to-day a bill for the branding of cheese and butter. He said he did not intend to put the bill through this session.

The Dominion Government's Policy on the Chinese Question Considered.

The passage of Li Hung Chang through Canada threw a certain section of our people into a state of ferment, and the tuft hunters began, as usual, their belly-crawling practice. His reception at the boundary by an accredited Minister of the Crown was perhaps diplomatic, but far from what the murderous old barbarian deserved. Li Hung Chang is a fine sample of the educated savage and his respect for human life and human suffering is about on a par with the untamed tiger, and the Government of the Dominion did itself no credit in spending any public money on his reception. The almond eyed old tyrant never knew one spark of love for humanity, and has climbed to his present position on the bones of the victims of his ferocity. Sir Henri Joly was selected to receive and accompany the celestial premier, and no doubt acted the part of the courtier to perfection, for the Chevalier is courtesy itself. But we feel that such a public welcome to a man of Li's character and attributes does no credit to the people or Government of Canada. We tax Chinese coming into our country, thus showing our dislike for their company, and the sentiment of our country is to put a still heavier, if not prohibitive, tax on every Chinaman desiring ta plant himself in the community, and while a poll-tax on Chinamen remains on the statue book it was inconsistent to open wide our gates and receive with royal welcome the wretch whose only claim to notoriety is the amount of money he has stolen from his miserable people and the rivers of blood he has shed during his gory career. The American people and Government were no better than our own, but there was one piece of blue in the sky of the American reception, and that was the refusal of the Irish policemen in Washington to carry the carcase of the old savage. They refused, like Irishmen of dignity, and we congratulate the race and nation on this evidence of manliness and self respect. At Toronto fair he was carried by four North of Ireland slaves, every one of them full blooded children of William of Nassau, who manifested by this act of debasement very little of the spirit of independence of which they rant and bellow on the twelth of July. However, as John Bull dearly loves a lord, so the Canadian tuft-hunter and snob dearly loves to bow and salam before the chiefs of any country, be they civilized or savage. The Chinese are an undesirable race and people. Our statute books say so, and our laws are made with the view to their exclusion. They are immoral and socially putrid, their habits are so much opposed to ours that they can never be of us or us of them.

They live as white men cannot, and when all is over they even carry the bones of their fellows to fertalize their tainted country. The wretched food and clothing and surroundings of the Chinese are such as no white family can or ought to be subjected to, and if they are allowed to enter our Western Province of British Columbia, they will soon swarm over the whole Dominion and either drive the white laborer out or bring him down to his own level. This country must not open her gates to the Chinese on any terms, and we are sure no man could be elected in British Columbia who favored Chinese entrance on any terms whatever, and should a test vote on this question be taken in the House of Commons, it will be found that every west coast member will be recorded in favor of exclusion.

In the debate that took place on this subject last week, Sir Henri Joly, fresh from the fumes of the travelling opium joint, pleaded for the countrymen of his new friend, Sir Li Hung Chang, and recounted the words of the new Chinese knight when asking that we should not abandon the celestial emigrants or close the gates of our country to the swarm. Sir Henri Joly is not a laboring man, he has not to till a market garden for a livelihood, nor yet to wash clothes or iron them for his daily bred. If such was his lot, perhaps his views on the Chinese question would undergo some change. If the Liberal Government want Chinamen to invade this country and thereby drive out or degrade the white working men and women, they will do well to hire special steamers to bring them and give them votes on landing, and fail not to plant them just sufficiently thick in the different ridings to secure majorities, for the white laborer cannot be found on the side of those favoring the Chinese labor. Wherever the Chinaman has settled he cursed the country and the people until he is looked on as a worse pest than leprosy. There must be no half-way measure but the same drastic law that exists in the United States, and which will forbid the entrance of this prurient race into the Dominion, so that thereby the white laborer be not sunk to the level of the celestial, but elevated as his merits, virtues and services to the State demand.—The Canadian Freeman.

Bad Accident.

Whilst wheeling his way along the main thoro'fare of the town between the Wellington and the Portland Hotels on Wednesday eve- about 8 o'clock Mr Louis Bridewell collided with a vehicle which was being driven, perhaps over-rapidly, by Mr James Mc Millan, disastrous results to himself and wheel. It seems that two buggies, driven respectively by Jno Hoggan and Jas McMillan, proceeding rapidly along the road when they encountered Bridewell who was keeping on the side by common consent ceded to the use of bicyclists. The buggies must have been hugging this side pretty close. Bricewell succeeded in passing the first rig but in endeavoring to pass the second, which he did not at first notice, he collided with it. He was thrown under the horses feet and was struck in the upper part of the thigh by one of the shafts, which made a deep gash about an inch long in the sartorius muscle.

The injured man was conveyed into the Portland Hotel and the wound, which was of a painful character and will take some time to heal, was dressed by Dr. Wasson. Bridewell was taken into the Nanaimo hospital Friday last. The accident should serve as a warning to votaries of the wheel as to the extreme danger they run in riding at night without a light. The same rule applies also to vehicles but the greater danger is of course encountered by the bicyclist. There is a Provincial Statute dealing with this matter which also states the correct side of the road for vehicles to pass and also requiring vehicles to carry a light at night. The provisions of the act, however, unfortunately are not enforced, though it would seem to be of public importance that they should be put into effect.—Enterprise.

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Alien Labour.

Mr. Taylor M.P., for South Leeds, with that persistency that knows no discouragement, has again introduced in Parliament his bill to prohibit aliens from receiving employment in Canada, unless they have acquired a permanent domicile in this country. And judging from the discussion that took place upon the second reading, there seems to be no doubt but that it will become law if it is found that the United States will not modify their law upon that same question, which is the sole reason why Mr. Taylor seeks to have so undesirable a law placed upon our statute books. We say undesirable, because it seems strange that two great nations, only separated by an imaginary line, speaking the same language and having so many things in common, should think it at all necessary to enact such pernicious laws. But when we look into the question more closely, it is not hard to discern the reason why such laws appear upon the statutes of our neighbouring Republic.

Eight or ten years ago when that insidious yet plausible doctrine known as protection was sweeping from one end to the other of the country to the south of us, but which has for some time proved only to be a mirage, the following of which has led them farther out into the desert of despond. That time when protection was proclaimed in the market places and from the house tops to be the panacea for all ills; when the manufacturer, the farmer and the mechanic alike expected to reap abundantly of the harvest which was to be the natural result of applying such an all powerful envigorator to the virginal and other resources of that great country. Carried away by such fallacies as these our cousins, in 1885, enacted what is known as the "Alien Labour Law" We quote but one section which will show the drift of the Bill:

"All foreigners or aliens before they perform labour in the United States for any person or persons for salary or other remuneration shall be a bona fied resident of the United States and shall be domiciled and have residence here during the time of his or her employment."

Now the result is that Canadians (as well as other foreigners) cannot work in the United States without the employer and employee becoming liable under this law to a heavy fine, or imprisonment, or both. And this naturally works hardship, inconvenience and dissatisfaction with many of our people along the frontier, who could otherwise find employment permanently, or at stated seasons, to suit their own convenience. While on the other hand, the Americans come and go, as thousands of them do, performing their daily avocations and returning at evening, without let or hindrance. Mr. Taylor and his supporters (and they are many) recognizing the disadvantages our people are placed under, asks parliament to retaliate by enacting the same law in this country.

The Government thinks it the part of wisdom to inquire into the subject, hoping to be able to induce the United States Congress to modify or wipe out the obnoxious law. If such results cannot be accomplished during recess, the Premier, as well as the leader of the Opposition. have signified their willingness to proceed with the bill at the next session of parliament. It is to be sincerely hoped that Congress will repeal this law for they, like ourselves, have nothing to fear from foreigners whose civilization and standards of living are equal to their own. Against such people there is no need of restrictions, but instead they should throw open their gates and welcome to their shores all who are willing to adopt their standards and assimilate with them; in fact this is the only way that any new country can hope to become great and prosperous. They, like ourselves, have only to fear those who come as slaves, and not as free men, whose civilization and standards of living can never allow them to rise to ours. Against such only need the United States or Canada place any restriction.

Should be Dismissed.

THE Victoria Times, in a recent issue very properly takes exception to Col. Prior's strong recommendation of Dr. Duncan for the Superintendency of the Williams Head quarantine station. It will be remembered by our readers that the Dr. Duncan referred to is the same gentleman who figured so prominently at the late Dominion election, by escorting two voters confined in the small-pox pest house to the polls in Victoria city to vote for Prior and Earle. Doubtless in return for the valuable services rendered during the election Mr. Prior makes the astounding declaration on the floor of the House of Commons that Dr. Duncan is a gentlemen thoroughly qualified for the position. The Times being sceptical on the question of qualification asks Dr. Duncan the following pertinent questions.

1. As city health officer did you open the door of the smallpox pest house and permit two voters, contained there under city regulations and by order of the mayor, to mix with the crowd at the polls on last general election day?

2. What was your reason, or what incentive had you, for so acting?

3. If the incentive was the success of Earle and Prior, because they promised to secure the Williams Head office for you, or you expected they would do so, what would the incentive need to be when you are in charge at Williams Head, to induce you to liberate a ship with smallpox or yellow fever suspects before all the regulations had been complied with?"

It appears as if party zeal was the only qualification looked for by the late Dominion Government in appointing officers to important positions, as after the unpardonable breach of health regulations by Dr. Duncan, he was appointed to the position which he still holds as Superintendent of the Williams Head Quarantine Station. That the present Government has allowed the appointment to remain so long uncancelled is indeed strange. We do not believe because of a change of Government that every appointment in the civil service should be cancelled and new officers appointed. On the contrary, we hold that faithful and efficient officers who do not make an offensive display of their partsanship should not be punished for exercising their constitutional right of voting for the party of their choice. But the case of Dr. Duncan is very different, he not only proves himself an offensive, but a dangerous partisan. The man who, to secure two additional votes for his party, would run the risk of infecting those gathered at the polling place with the loathsome disease of smallpox deserves no consideration. Such a wretch should be placed on a desert island where he could never hear the sound of a human voice.

The Supreme Court Vacancy.

We notice considerable comment in the press on the probable appointment of Mr. Joseph Martin to the vacant Supreme Court judgeship in British Columbia. While we have no doubt but that Mr. Martin is eminently qualified to adorn the bench, we cannot believe that the Laurier Administration would offer such a gratuitious insult to the legal fraternity of this Province. We have no hesitation in saying that the British Columbia bar can compare favorably with that of any of the other Provinces, so no necessity arises to import talent when we have enough and to spare at home. Many names have been mentioned in connection with the appointment, all of whom are, no doubt, thoroughly qualified, But we believe that the vacancy should be filled from Nanaimo by promoting Judge Harrison to the vacant seat. It does not seem fair to pass over the county court judges and go to the bar when a vacancy occurs in the Supreme Court, especially when men equally as able can be found on the County Court Bench. Moreover, it is sorry inducement to an able lawyer to take a position in the County Court unless he sees in it a stepping stone to the Supreme Court bench. Steps should be taken by the legal fraternity of the city to press on the Government the claims of Judge Harrison.

Police Inquiry.

FRIENDS of the policemen whose official conduct is to be investigeted soon put forward as a defence an argument to the effect that they (the policeman) were ordered by Police Commissioner Simpson to visit nightly the houses of ill-fame on Fraser street and Comox road, and that they dared not disobey.

Assuming for the sake of argument that this version of the affair is true, what does it prove. Simply this: that Commissioner Simpson is one of the worst law-breaking officials that ever took oath of office in this city.

Here we have a man, a lawyer by profession, holding the position of police magistrate, police and license commissioner, who, on taking office, swore that he would enforce the laws on the statute books coming within his jurisdiction. He sends policemen down to Fraser street to watch and take evidence. They do so. They enter the houses of disrepute during "business" hours see liquor produced, paid for and consumed, and even go so far as to "sample" it themselves. They know that these houses are unlicensed and that it is unlawful for them to sell it. This so-called "watching" continues month after month—yet what do they do about it? After they have taken evidence where is their case? If this thing is not a complete farce should they not prosecute?

Why, we ask, in the name of common sense, should one class in the community be compelled to pay a license fee of $300 a year to sell liquor while a set of reckless, debauched, and abandoned women are given a free hand to not only sell intoxicating drink, but spread disease and immoral filth on every hand.

Give the Devil his due, saloon-keepers should not be mulcted to the sum of $300 a year if the houses on Fraser street are permitted to sell without a license.

What kind of an official Commissioner Simpson must be who openly boasts that he sent the policeman there three times a night, we leave our readers to judge.

Judging from Mr. Simpson's past official history in this city, we have come to the conclusion that he entirely over-rates his own importance and ability. He assumes a role that has no place among democratic people. He has acted the part of a dictator and put a veto on the laws enacted by the representatives of the community for the conduct of society, instead of being an instrument, appointed by the people, to enforce the laws. On several occasions he has refused to enforce laws because he did not think they ought to be enforced.

We annually elect men to manage our civic busines, and pass such laws as the people deem advisable for the good of society as a whole. Next, through our Provincial Government, Mr. Simpson is appointed police magistrate, etc. The Aldermen pass a law that no liquor shall be sold in Nanaimo on Sunday; that no person or persons shall sell liquor without a license; that no houses of ill-fame shall be allowed to exist, etc. It now beseems the duty of the Commissioners and Chief of Police to enforce these laws. But they say no. We do not believe it ought to be enforced. We do not like these laws, and therefore we will not enforce them. Thus these officials are practically allowed the prerogatives of a king or president and veto the laws of the people enacted by their representatives. If this were legal it would be bad enough, but it is not. These officials possess no such power and it is time the citizens were waking up to the evil they are fostering by allowing it to continue.

Why go to the trouble and expense of electing representatives to make and pass laws if such men as these are allowed to pass judgment on them and act according to their own sweet will. If this is to continue it would be better to return to one-man government and not go to such expense to keep up a show of democracy

The spirit the people should possess in these matters is to give officials of the Simpson stamp to understand once for all that they are appointed to enforce law, no matter whether they think it right or not, and if they do not wish to do so let them step out. If a law is unpopular let the people themselves repeal it, and not keep it on the statute books.

In conclusion we wish to add that if this defence of the policemen is correct, then the police commissioners should investigate the conduct of Police Magistrate Simpson and find out what he is going to do with all his evidence, for he must have a "stack" of it by this time.

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The Remedy.

As we have pointed out before in a previous editorial, there is only one remedy for the present state of affairs in regard to the trouble among police-commissioners and policemen. The appointment of police and license commissioners should be in the hands of the people themselves. That the recent appointment was purely partizan is only too evident. The provincial government completely ignored the wishes of the people in this matter and thrust aside their petition, appointing a man on the recommendation of a certain well-known local politician, who made a special trip to Victoria for that purpose.

Our Council ought to take steps to have the Municipal Act amended so as to make it possible to get this matter in their own hands and then they could make appointments that would be satisfactory to themselves.

This is done in Vancouver, the electors appointing ten men to constitute the Board. We advocate the policy that all such officials should be elected by popular vote, the same as aldermen, school trustees, etc. If this was done, the people could easily settle any trouble at the end of the year, besides letting their wishes be known by dropping from the Board those who were proving themselves inefficient.

We sincerely hope that steps will be taken that will lead to this desirable end. A petition to the Council would bring the matter up for discussion and then the necessary steps would no doubt be taken to bring the matter before the local legislature next session.

The Grand Old Man.

Mr. Gladstone's marvellous mental activity since his retirement from the Liberal leadership in 1894 has caused a partial revival of discussion as to his return to public life. There is no serious or general opinion that he will do so; but many ask, Where are the evidences of physical and mental decay, of lessened interest in the problems of politics or theology, of less acute discernment in literary and social tendencies? It is doubtful if any two years of Mr. Gladstone's life have been more noted for intellectual energy and product than the last two; and at eighty-seven his amazing zest continues unabated. His learned studies in the works of Bishop Butler have only recently been published; magazine articles from month to month fall from his prolific pen, and the subjects treated show the same versatility as well as the same alert and virile thought; in capacity for work he seems to be equal to the most exacting demands. A short time ago the Armenian atrocities nearly called him back to Parliament, so intense was his sympathy with that suffering people; nor have his convictions on that subject since known any change. In fact, though out of office, he is still the dominant personality in England, the one to whom the thought and conscience of the nation instinctively look as an exemplar of political conduct. Just now there are elements of disunion and discouragement in the Liberal party which urgently call for the strongest leader; and there is no doubt that, if Mr. Gladstone should again dare the vicissitudes of public life, he would be warmly welcomed back to his old place, even if for a very brief term of leadership. He was, at least in matters purely political, the trusted keeper of the Nonconformist conscience, while Lord Rosebery has not been very successful in retaining the confidence of that commanding element in British Liberalism. The common belief as to old age and its disabilities will be set over against the manifestations which, in Mr. Gladstone's case, seem to refute it; but, so long as these manifestations continue, his old friends and former following will inevitably ask, Why are not the energy and zeal, which abound in mental exertions so varied and severe, available for the reinvigoration of the Liberal party?

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MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

At the regular meeting of the Council on Monday evening there were present: Mayor Davison, Ald. Sinclair Westwood, Planta, Bradley, Wilson and Martell.

The minutes of last meeting were read and on motion adopted.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From C. N. Westwood re raising the sidewalk in front of the Nanaimo Hotel to the proper grade.

On motion of Ald. Bradley, it was ordered to be received and come up for discussion under the head of new business.

REPORTS.

The Sanitary Committee reported that they had visited Chinatown, and made several recommendations.

On motion of Ald. Planta and Martell the report was received and adopted.

Ald. Bradley making the remark that they should be called piggeries and not pig-houses as he understood several Chinamen were making a living keeping pigs, and that all the buildings were connected. We have no means of finding out where these Chinamen get their water from—whether the water works, or from wells which were observed near by. It was not for the welfare of the city that these piggeries should be allowed to exist, and he would suggest that they be moved back to a field about 60 yards away, near the railway track, which could be leased.

NANAIMO, B. C.,
Sept. 28th, 1896.

To His Worship Mayor and Aldermen.

GENTLEMEN.—Your Finance Committee beg to make the following report in accordance with a motion passed at the last regular meeting of the Municipal Council:

Estimated receipts from Sept. 28th, to Dec. 31st, '96 according to the estimates passed by the Council is as follows:

Trade Licenses	$ 655.00
Revenue Tax	740.00
Road	492.00
Real Estate Arrears	1,632.02
Real Estate Tax	13,390.08
Dog Tax	30.00
Commercial Traveller	40.00
Street Sales	30.00
Pound Fees	51.90
City Scales	7.85
Police Court Fees	550.00
Tax Sales Costs	75.00
School per capa	3,264.80
Total	$20,878.55

Accounts owing up to Sept. 28th, 1896.

Bank B. C. Loan	$ 8,000.00
Accounts on fyle	3,192.50
Total	$ 11,192.50
Bal. available according to the Estimate to Dec. 31st 1896	$ 9,689.15

Respectfully submitted,
ARTHUR WILSON, Chairman,
Finance Committee.

Ald. Planta said no consideration had been given to the estimated expenditure between now and Dec. 31st and moved that the report be received and laid on the table. He could not accept Ald. Wilson's reasons why a fuller report was not brought in. It would have been an easy matter to make a correct estimate of the approximate expenditure. He was afraid Ald. Wilson was altogether too sanguine in the estimated receipts.

Ald. Wilson said the estimates were passed by the Council months ago, and the Finance Committee had no power to alter these estimates. Ald. Planta wanted more than the motion passed last week called for, and if it was necessary to go into the matter fully, then it should be done in Committee of the whole.

Ald. Planta did not wish to find fault with the Finance Committee, and would move that the report be referred back to Finance Committee. Ald. Westwood seconded.

Ald. Wilson strongly objected to the report being sent back to the Committee.

Motion to refer back carried.

The Street Committee reported that the corporation workmen had been employed in repairing streets, impounding cattle, dogs, etc.

Report received and filed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The letter of C. N. Westwood, asking for permission to raise the sidewalk in front of the Nanaimo Hotel came up for discussion.

Ald. Wilson, asked how far the present sidewalk was below the grade.

Ald. Westwood said he had laid the present sidewalk temporarily, he was not able to say how far it was below but the building was up to grade.

Ald Bradley wished to know if there would be any steps if the sidewalk was raised. This matter should be looked after, and he would move that it be left to the Street Committee for report.

Ald. Wilson seconded.

Ald. Westwood said the building was ready for occupancy, and it was not fair to put this matter off. The street grade has been given, and the building had been put up to the grade, and now he asked permission to raise the sidewalk to the proper grade.

Ald. Bradley said some provision must be made to connect with the other sidewalk. Ald. Westwood claims this motion is only to put the matter off. He could have asked three weeks ago, but now he wishes to hurry the matter up.

Ald. Planta asked if there would be a graded slope the whole length of the building.

Ald. Westwood remarked that Stevenson's was below the grade. He did not propose to have any steps but make a graded slope from the end of his building and make it fit as well as possible to the sidewalk in front of Stevenson's.

Ald. Planta moved as an amendment that the request be granted subject to the supervision and direction of the Street Committee.

Ald. Sinclair seconded.

Both the amendment and the motion were lost.

Ald. Planta asked if it was in order to deal with the matter in any other way.

The Mayor said certainly by making another motion, but discussion was entirely out of order.

Ald. Planta moved that the corporation workmen put the sidewalk up to the proper grade as soon as possible.

Ald. Sinclair seconded.

Some discussion took place with reference to the Mayor voting, Ald. Planta claiming that it was done for the purpose of blocking the business.

Ald. Bradley asked Ald. Planta if the Mayor had not the privilege of voting when he liked.

Ald. Planta.—Yes! but he would like me out of the way.

The motion was lost by 4 to 2.

Council adjourned.

The Council then sat as a Local Board of Health to receive a letter from M. Wolf secretary to the Water Works Co. in reply to the report of Dr McKechnie.

Provincial Police Court.

Before Messers. J. Hilbert and J. W. Stirtan, J. P's.

Quite an array of Indians graced the Police Court on Monday morning charged by Constable McIndoo with various offences as follows:

Jeremiah Squaelton, who appeared with a pair of black eyes, pleaded guilty and was fined $5 and costs or one month.

Johnny Lahyah, pleaded guilty to being drunk and also to an assault on Jeremiah. He was fined $10 and costs or one month.

Joseph Tetchalum also pleaded guilty to being drunk was fined $10 and costs, and for having an intoxicant in his possession he was fined $25 and costs, in default four months.

William Pattison, a well-known character was charged with supplying the liquor, he has taken up his abode at the Hotel Stewart for 6 months, during with time he will have leisure to reflect upon the errors of his ways. Chief Louis Good acted as interpreter.

Opening Concert.

At the Y.M.C.A. Saturday night, the opening concert was a success in every respect. The committee were fortunate in securing the services of a number of local celebrities who are always welcome on the platform, and who can be depended on for giving only first-class music.

Mrs. R. Smith was in the chair and after addressing the audience, called upon Mrs. Taylor for a pianoforte solo which was rendered in that lady's usual spirited manner.

Miss Edith Smith gave a pleasing recitation, after which Mrs. Davison and Miss Hartt sang "Cantilena."

Mrs. R. Smith gave a humorous reading, which kept the audience in smiles throughout.

Miss Madge Bulman followed with a song intitled "Beautiful Hands," which was well rendered.

Miss Hall and Miss Elford next gave an instrumental duet "Como Quadrilles," which was well received by the audience, and they were recalled. These two ladies deserve much praise as their playing was above the average and full of spirit.

Mrs. R. Smith gave another comic reading and then a trio comprising Mrs Taylor, Mrs. Davison and Miss Hartt, sang "'Neath the Jessamine." This was one of the best executed pieces on the programme and deserves special mention.

Miss M. Bulman closed the programme by singing "I Dreamed a Dream," after which the audience rose and joined heartily in singing "God Save the Queen."

The concerts given by the Y.M.C.A. are deservedly popular and there should be no abatement of the interest already taken in them, as they serve a good purpose both for the institution and those who attend.

The thanks of the Y.M.C.A. are tendered to all who have in the past given assistance at these entertainments and the hope is cherished that they may continue to be an attraction to all who are in need of an hours rest, recreation and diversion on a Saturday night.

DOMINION ESTIMATES.

$10,000 for Improvements to Nanaimo Harbor.

Ottawa, Sept. 25.—The following British Columbia items appear on the estimates handed down to the House of Commons:

Columbia river, protection of the bank at Revelstoke, the government of British Columbia contributing a like amount, $10,500.

Columbia river removal of rocks above Revelstoke, $2,000.

Columbia river, increased facilities for navigation purposes at the foot of Kootenay rapids, $1,000.

Duncan river, improvements, $3,000.

Okanagan river, improvement $500.

William Head quarantine, repairs to wharf and improvement to the water service, $2,000.

Improvements to Nanaimo harbor, south channel, $10,000.

New Westminster drill hall, installation of electric light, $600.

William Head quarantine station, fire protection fittings and painting, $1,500.

Salary of county court judge, Kootenay district, $2,400.

Circuit allowances, additional, $8,000.

Alternate line connection Cape Beale and Carmanah with Victoria by extending the French creek, Alberni line, southwardly to the southwest coast of Vancouver island, $5,000.

Cost of hauling the steamer Quadra off Fulford reef and towing her into Victoria harbor, as agreed upon between the agent of the department and the captain of the tug boat, $4,000.

Expenses of the British commission appointed under the Behring sea claims convention, and the remuneration and expenses of counsel and witnesses and other expenses therewith, $50,000.

For expert investigation into seal life in connection with the award regulations for Behring sea, $3,500.

For the legal expenses of the case of the steamer Coquitlam before the United States Supreme Court, $2,500.

Expenses of delimitating the boundary between Canada and the United States along the frontier of British Columbia, $75,000.

Expenses of exploring, surveying, etc. the country lying between the Stickeen river and the sources of the Yukon, $6,000.

The Tarte-Grenier action is causing the greatest interest in political circles, and the case, which will commence in October, promises to give rise to important developments that may cause a tremendous sensation. The old Liberals are hugging themselves with delight at the opening of fire upon Mr. Laurier's right bower. In fact, it is understood the article in La Libre Parole was inspired by some of Tarte's Liberal opponents, and it is said that Grenier will have all the assistance he requires in fighting the case against the Minister of Public Works. Grenier declares he will fight the case to the bitter end.

THE CITY AND PROVINCE.

Mr. J. H. Earle, came up from Victoria on Monday.

Miss Maud Strachan went down to Victoria for a weeks visit.

Mr. Fred. B. Stearman, Ph. B., is in Victoria on a business visit.

S.S. Dunsmuir arrived at Johnston's wharf on Monday, with a large consignee list.

Mr. Robertson of Vancouver, is in the city for the purpose of receiving tenders for the repairs to the Green Block, which will be completed as soon as possible.

Lillie Cushan, daughter of the late Amos Cushan, a well-known Indian, died on Saturday from consumption and was buried in the Mission Cemetery on Sunday.

Mr. Richard McBride, one of the rising barristers of New Westminster, was married on Wednesday last to Miss Christina M. McGillivray, also of that city.

Rev. J. D. P. Knox, pastor of Haliburton Street Methodist Church, who has been on a vacation trip to Eastern Ontario, is expected back by the end of this week.

Wallace Street Methodist Sunday School held their first public review service on Sunday, conducted by Rev. T. W. Hall. A large number of the parents and friends were present and much interest was manifested.

In the House of Commons last night, to a question by Mr. McInnes, Hon Mr. Mulock replied that the Government intended at an early date to invite tenders for a semi-weekly mail service between Nanaimo, Union and Comox.

It is again reported that the steamer Joan is to replace the City of Nanaimo on the Vancouver Nanaimo route. Rumor has it that the City of Nanaimo will be replaced by the Princess Louise for a week or so, and the Joan will go to Victoria for repairs and improvements.

There were four applications for music hall licenses before the license commissioners of Vancouver on Thursday last. The temperance people were out in force and raised such strong objections that the granting of a license was postponed.

An open switch at the east end of the Columbia river bridge, Kootenay, caused the complete wreck of an east-bound freight train, Monday night. The scene that met the gaze was one of inextricable confusion; box cars, flat cars and their contents lay scattered around, and deep below all lay engine 364 with its steam escaping. As it is, a great deal of damage was done, but, happily, without loss of life.

The charge against J. C. Johnston of stealing the race horse Snohomish Boy, was dismissed by Magistrate Macrae on Thursday at Victoria. Mr. Lowry, the prosecutor, at whose request the case had been adjourned, did not appear, and the magistrate considered that the evidence produced did not show any criminal intent on the part of Johnston. Besides he was of opinion that Johnston had some claim on the horse. There are still other points in connection with the horse to be settled. Johnston has a case pending against Lowry for several hundred dollars for the care of the horse, and Lowry will either have to come over and defend it or lose some $400 he gave as a bond to appear when called upon. Then Frank Adams, who bought the horse from Johnston and was afterwards compelled by a judgment of the county court to pay for the horse a second time, will make an effort to get his money back from Lowry, the evidence given in the police court having brought out some facts that he believes will assist him in doing so.

FOREIGN SHIPMENTS.

Foreign coal shipments for September were as follows:

BY THE NEW VANCOUVER COMPANY.

DATE.	NAME and DESTINATION.	TONS.
Sept.		
1.—	S.S. Pioneer, Pt. Townsend	55
2.—	Holy Oake, Pt. Townsend	60
3.—	Bk. Oregon, San Francisco	2235
4.—	S.S. Wanderer, Pt. Townsend	40
11.—	SS. Willapa, Pt. Towsend	50
12.—	Ship Bermuda, San Francisco	4250
13.—	S S. Wanderer, Pt. Townsend	30
16.—	S.S. Willapa, Mary Island	40
16.—	S.S. Peter Jebsen, 'Frisco	4850
24.—	Sea Lion, Pt. Angeles	45
29.—	Ship Cambusdoon, 'Frisco	2728
	Total	14183

FROM WELLINGTON.

DATE.	NAME AND DESTINATION.	TONS.
Sept.		
1.—	Ship Columbia, 'Frisco	2450
2.—	SS. Umatilla, Seattle	800
2.—	City of Topeka, Seattle	200
8.—	Ship J. C. Potter, 'Frisco	2900
10.—	SS. Progressist, 'Frisco	4000
10.—	SS. Willamette, 'Frisco	2800
14.—	SS. Welington, 'Frisco	2600
19.—	Ship Glory of the Seas, 'Frisco	3400
23.—	SS. Angeles, Pt. Townsend	80
25.—	SS. Progressist, 'Frisco	3920
29.—	SS. Wellington, 'Frisco	2600
	Total	24850

FROM UNION.

DATE	NAME AND DESTINATION.	TONS.
Sept.		
5.—	SS. Rapid Transit, Pt Angeles	246
11.—	SS. Mineola, Los Angeles	3200
11.—	SS. Rapid Transit, Pt Angeles	250
25.—	SS. Mineola, Los Angeles	3200
25.—	SS. Rapid Transit, Pt Angeles	258
	Total	7154

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The One True Blood Purifier. $1; six for $5.

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Brian O'Lynn had no boots to wear,
So he came to Nanaimo to buy him a pair;
"I'll have one pair of thick and one pair of thin,
If I can find Whitfield's," says Brian O'Lynn.

He hunted the stores all along the main route,
Says he: "The right one I've not yet found out.
I want Whitfield—I'll buy only from him,
For he sells the cheapest," says Brian O'Lynn.

He stepped a little west of Albert street;
He saw Whitfield's sign—sure 'twas a treat;
He opened the door and George stood within—
"I've found it at last," says Brian O'Lynn.

We showed him our calf boots, kid and cowhide,
The ones we praise most—no seams at the side.
We've boots of all kinds from Quebec and Berlin.
"Sure you've boots for the million," says Brian O'Lynn. [no trash:

He bought him his boots, which of course were
He paid down his money, for we sell only for
To the public he says: "Be not taken in, [cash.
Buy only from Whitfield," says Brian O'Lynn

"If there's a leak in the toe or side of your shoe.
Just take it to Whitfield, that's all you need do;
He will peg it or patch just while you are in,
And the charge seems like nothing," says Brian O'Lynn.

WHITFIELD, the Shoe Man.
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Nanaimo Business Directory

BARRISTERS.

BARKER & POTTS, Barristers and Solicitors. Commercial street.

G. F. CANE, Barrister and Solicitor, Room 11, Johnston Block.

McINNES & McINNES, Barristers, Room 6, Johnston Block, Commercial street,

YARWOOD & YOUNG, Barristers, corner of Commercial and Bastion streets.

BOTANIST.

T. HARDY, Botanic Druggist, Winfield Crescent. Try Hardy's Pile Ointment.

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DR. MASON, Dentist Extracting a specialty. Gas and Ether administered. Office, Odd Fellow's Block, Nanaimo.

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DYE WORKS.

NANAIMO DYE WORKS.—Dyeing, Cleaning and Repairing 14 Nicol street. C. CHARLTON, Manager.

FISH MARKET.

G. MARSH, Wholesale Dealer in Fish and Game, Bastion Street, Nanaimo.

INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL AGENT

M. WOLFE, Financial and Insurance Agent, Johnston Block.

REAL ESTATE—INSURANCE.

FOREMAN & HARDY, Real Estate Brokers-Bastion street.

SECOND-HAND STORE.

D. TAYLOR, Dealer in all kinds of New and Second-Hand Furniture, and Fancy Articles of every description. Masonic building.

WATCHMAKER.

JOS. M. BROWN. Watchmaker. Watches and Clocks carefully cleaned and repaired. Corner Church and Chapel streets.

Canadian News.

J. I. Tarte, Minister of Public Works, has retired from journalism for the present.

It is now said that Dalton McCarthy, M.P., may enter the Liberal Cabinet. He is looked upon as a likely candidate.

The "Intelligencer" of the city of Belleville, a daily newspaper, has passed into the hands of Sir MacKenzie Bowell who will conduct it in future.

A wealthy farmer named Lepage of Rimouski, Que., while alone in the house with his wife on Sept. 24th, was suddenly seized with convulsions. His wife at once rushed to his side, raised his head a little and catching him by the throat strangled him. The woman appears to have lost her reason after an attack of grippe last winter.

The Toronto Globe has an editorial leader on "The Crow's Nest Pass," in which it says that with a line from Lethbridge through the pass it would be impossible for Winnipeg merchants to secure better transportation rates. If the proposed line be leased to the Canadian Pacific or to any independent company the Globe declares that the government should retain such complete control over its operations that it will be an independent line without discriminating charges.

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In Nanaimo and Surrounding Country
Is cordially invited to attend our

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In the Newest and Latest Styles. Our Tweed Effects at 25c. and 30c. are great value. Our stock of

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Nanaimo Mail Supplement

TUESDAY, SEPT. 29, 1896.

COMMUNICATIONS.

This column is open to the public and we heartily invite the citizens to make use of it for discussing public questions.

The following communication was handed in by our local "Josh Billings" this morning and we give it to our readers in its original form:

Editor Mail

In the Saturday ishue of the Free Press I notice that the editor is geting further in the fog and unless the atmosfear should clear up I am afraid we shall lose him altogether perticlar if he should fall of the Fence, and it is geting rather rickerty for him as he has been astride of it for many years know, It is amusing to hear him Refer to the Fenian Raid of Canada and the suspected burning of the Van Cover Coal Co's machine Shop and also the Trip of Nansen to the North Pole what have they got to do with the present Finances of the City how dose he know so much of the Fenian Raid and the burning of the V C C Machine Shop were he a member of that Friternaty at that time or were a friend of Mc it is very plane to see that he fanceys he dose, of corse he is very knowing in his mind but there is others thinks he dose not know much Why he dose not want to hear of aincent History when the shoe Pinches him and it is plain proof that it dose or he would not squeal so much, but we understand him thorouly, what about the one hundard a month he sold his paper for against us working Men we understand. we do not forgit things as easy as he dose and he will know to his sorrow as we intend to fetch him of the Perch if he dose not let up as we are acusstomed to pilot through the Fog and he has heard from us before, and he knows that considerable of the city revenue has gone with the Clu Clux Clan ring for many years know but it will not continue.

AINCIENT MARIENOR.

EDITOR MAIL:—I see by the paper that Mr. McInnes has got $10,000 for dredging the Nanaimo harbor. Very good of Mr. McInnes, but where is the other $5,000 the Board of Trade, Andrew Haslam and the Free Press got last year. You remember the Free Press said the amount was $15,000, but McInnes is only bringing back $10,000. There must be something rotten in Denmark,—or the Free Press office.

MOSSBACK.

Rumour of a Strike.

Winnipeg, Sept. 28.—The Nor'-Wester and the Tribune both publish rumours to-night that the C.P.R. operators and agents will go out on strike at midnight unless a schedule of increased pay is granted by the road. It is stated that an increase of ten per cent is demanded. Nothing definite is known of the matter here.

LATEST NEWS OF THE STRIKE.

Winnipeg, Sept. 28.—A general strike of members of the order of Railway Telegraphers on the C.P.R. was ordered from Montreal at midnight. A few men have gone out.